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Village Panchayats

Travelling allowance of an Honorary Organizer of Village Panchayats.

55 *Q.*—Pandit Ganala Ramamurti: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the minimum and maximum amount is that can be drawn as travelling allowance by a Taluk Honorary Organizer of Village Panchayats according to rules, if any;

(*b*) how many times they are expected to tour in the year and whether they are required to maintain diaries regarding the nature of their work in villages; and

(*c*) the number of Honorary Organizers of Village Panchayats in the district of Kistna and the area allotted to each of the said Honorary Organizers of Village Panchayat Boards?

A.—(*a*) There are no fixed minima or maxima. A fixed allowance of Rs. 2 a day is given to honorary organizers for journeys performed beyond a radius of five miles from their headquarters under the specific orders of the Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards.

(*b*) No minimum touring has been prescribed. They are required to maintain diaries.

(*c*) The information is furnished below:—

Taluk.	Number of honorary organizers.
Kaikalur	3
Bezwada	1
Tiruvur	1
Gudivada	2
Gannavaram	1

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

IV.—ACTS ASSENTED TO BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

* The hon. the President:—" I have to announce that the undermentioned Acts received the assent of His Excellency the Governor on the dates mentioned against each:—

(1) The Madras Cotton Control Act—28th April 1932.
(2) The Madras Co-operative Societies Act—9th May 1932."

V.—PANEL OF CHAIRMEN.

* The hon. the President:—" I have to announce to the House that under rule 3 of the Madras Legislative Council Rules, I have nominated the following four Members of the Council to be a Panel of Chairmen for this session of the Council:—

(1) Rao Bahadur A. T. Pannirselvam.
(2) Rao Bahadur T. A. Ramalingam Chettiyar.
(3) Mr. M. A. Muthiah Chettiyar.
(4) Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan."

VI.—ELECTION OF FIVE MEMBERS TO THE SENATE OF THE ANNAMALAI UNIVERSITY.

* The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"The Vice-Chancellor of the Annamalai University having requested me that arrangements may be made for the election, according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, of five Members of this Council to the Senate of that University, I have directed that the elections should be held in accordance with the Regulations made under Standing Order No. 80. In accordance with these Regulations, I fix 2 p.m. on the 3rd August 1932 as the latest time by which notice of nominations may be sent to the Secretary.

"If the number of candidates nominated exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, there will be an election between 12 noon and 3 p.m. on the 4th August 1932."

VII.—HOUSE COMMITTEE.

* The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur:— "I beg to move— 11-45 a.m.

> '*that, with a view to appoint a House Committee in pursuance of Standing Order No. 84, this Council do proceed to elect six Members to be Members of the said Committee according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote*'."

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR:—"I second it."

The motion was put and carried.

* The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"I have to inform the House that with reference to Regulation 11 of the Regulations for the holding of elections by means of the single transferable vote, I fix 3 p.m. to-day as the time by which the nominations of candidates for election to the House Committee should be sent to the Secretary."

VIII.—DEMANDS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS FOR 1932-33.

GRANT VI—IRRIGATION (EXCLUDING CAUVERY-METTUR PROJECT)—RESERVED.

* The hon. Sir ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL:—"Mr. President, Sir, on the recommendation of His Excellency the Governor, I beg to move—

> '*that Government be granted a further sum not exceeding Rs.* 58,300 *under Grant VI—Irrigation (excluding Cauvery-Mettur Project)—Reserved*'.

"Sir, this grant is required for four works which are indicated on the agenda paper. The first of these is to provide for the realignment of the Godavari flood bank on the Polavaram Island. The flood bank was seriously eroded between miles 3/3 and 4/4 this year. The cheapest way of remedying this is to realign the bank from mile 3, so that it will run alongside the local fund earthen road from Amalapur to Yenam. The work is estimated to cost Rs. 21,000. As it is urgent and should be carried out this year, the Government have authorized the starting of the work. As the expenditure can be met by reappropriation, I ask for a token grant of Rs. 100 only.